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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
TREE WORKS IN A CONSERVATION AREA

Reference: H05-0291-22 **Date of Decision:** 27th April 2022

Applicant: M Ahmed
5 Penrics Way
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Location: 5 Penrics Way Fleet Hargate Spalding

Description: Works to Trees in Fleet Hargate Conservation Area

Detailed Description:

Am assuming this Notification is with regard to Leyland cypress trees which abut the fence line of 5 and extend to 4 Penrics Way. (Plan accompanying the Notification shows trees in a completely different location, no two way contact with 'Applicant' has been possible since Notification received.)

The trees adjacent to 5 Penrics Way have already been pruned back to at least the fence line. Not 100% sure that this Notification is to regularise these works for which I do not believe that a Notification was received, or to carry out additional.

In the 'Applicants' words:

'Conifer tree. 12 trees behind the fence. Trim the trees in half. During the windy days /storm the trees sway across the fence. Also during the last storm 1 big branch fell off the tree and it was still hanging which is hazard. In future if the tree fell on to roof that will cause lots of trouble. (Go to 100km storm).' Proposed replacement trees, 'Similar trees (fir) I will plant 20 trees.'

South Holland District Council has considered the proposal and has no objections, subject to any recommendation set out below;

1 The owner of the land on which the trees grow their 'Custodian' should be contacted and

their permission sought before any works take place on these trees. This letter cannot be taken as authority to carry out works to the trees.

Topping the trees concerned adjacent to 5 Penrics Way following previous works may kill the trees concerned, so compensatory planting would need to be discussed with the owner of the land on which they grow. These works and those previously carried out on the trees are not recommended by South Holland District Council, but they are not in a position to object to them.

2 That subject to the above the proposed work is carried out within two years of the date of this letter of 'No Objection'.

3 Work is to be carried out in accordance with BSI 3998 : 2010, 'Recommendations for Tree Work' as much as is possible in the circumstances.

Notes:

As already mentioned. The necessary consent of all other interested parties should be obtained before the works proceed.

Conifers such as Leyland cypress should ideally only be heavily pruned (or topped) in July. The optimum time for annual trimming works is between July and August. Works in the late autumn, winter and early spring months should be avoided. Always check if nesting birds are present before works are to be undertaken, and if present delay until the fledglings have been reared and have flown the nest. The very small goldcrest often nest in such trees.

Under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) all birds, their nests and eggs are protected by law and it is an offence to damage or destroy the nest of any wild bird while it is in use or being built. In the event of query please contact Natural England on Tel: 03000 603900.

Bats are protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) and in the event that bats are living in any cavities in the tree(s), or if they are discovered while the works are taking place, please inform Natural England on Tel: 03000 603900 before works proceed.



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